Table A-1. Annual expenditures for the purchase of academic research instrumentation, by type of unit and field of science and engineering: 1982-83 to 1993

[Dollars in millions]

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Type of unit and field of science and engineering	Survey year			
	1982-83	1985-86	1988-89	1993
Total, all units			\$1,139	\$1,203
Engineering			267	295
Chemistry			87	112
Physics/astronomy			139	211
Environmental sciences			64	94
Computer science			228	127
Academic departments			34	51
Computer facilities			193	76
Agricultural sciences			44	42
Biological sciences			256	283
Other, multidisciplinary			54	39
Total, units with all instruments costing				
less than \$1,000,000	\$398	\$669	787	935
Engineering	93	173	200	260
Chemistry	39	76	83	95
Physics/astronomy	52	83	72	110
Environmental sciences	30	51	54	63
Computer science	16	47	41	58
Academic departments	14	39	30	44
Computer facilities	2	8	11	14
Agricultural sciences	27	32	44	41
Biological sciences	130	185	247	279
Other, multidisciplinary	10	21	46	31
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Total, units with an instrument costing \$1,000,000 or more			351	268
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Engineering	-		67	35
Chemistry			4	18
Physics/astronomy Environmental sciences			66	102 31
Environmental sciences			10	31
Computer science			187	69
Academic departments			4	7
Computer facilities			183	62
Agricultural sciences			0	-
Biological sciences			10	4
Other, multidisciplinary			8	8

NOTES: This table, which includes data for all four survey cycles, is presented in a three-part format to reflect the changing coverage of instruments in the survey.

In 1982-83 and 1985-86 data were collected only for instruments (and their corresponding units) with an original purchase price of \$10,000-\$999,999.

In 1988-89 and 1993 coverage was expanded to include instruments with an original purchase price of \$1,000,000 or more.

In 1993, the minimum purchase price of an in-scope instrument was changed from \$10,000 to \$20,000.

For consistency, data from the 1982-83, 1985-86, and 1988-89 surveys were standardized using the same minimum purchase price criterion of \$20,000 in constant 1993 dollars, based on the GDP implicit price deflator. The \$1,000,000 criterion was also standardized in constant 1993 dollars.

Because of rounding, details may not add to totals.

KEY: - = less than \$500,000

-- = data not collected in that survey year

SOURCE: National Science Foundation/SRS, Survey of Academic Research Instruments and Instrumentation Needs: